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Military Information From Letzling Heath.

EVALUATION

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DATE OF CONTENT

27 and 29 September 1952

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24 October 1952

REFERENCES

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[redacted] Jerichow (U 53/Y 94), Fischbeck and Kabelitz were no longer occupied by troops on 27 September, and Schoenhausen and Klietz on 29 September. \* The following observations were made at railroad stations:

At 7 a.m. on 27 September: A train carrying Soviet materiel including 6 radio trucks stood at the Magdeburg-Rothensee railroad station.

At 7:30 a.m. on 27 September: Three trains carrying Soviet materiel including about 90 trucks, and not less than 12 x 120-mm mortars, [redacted]

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at the Wolmirstedt railroad station. \*\*

At 12 p.m. on 29 September: An empty train of 1 flatcar and 2 boxcars was at the Stendal railroad station.

At 12:45 p.m. on 29 September: Two trains loaded with mortars, trucks and radio trucks were at the Tangerhuetfe railroad station.

At 1 p.m. on 29 September: A train, presumably an express train, was unloaded at the Tahlwinkel ramp. [redacted] 30 trucks, 8 x 122-mm howitzers and 8 x 76.2-mm guns. Another empty train was nearby. [redacted]

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At 1:20 p.m. on 29 September: A train at the Angern-Rogaetz railroad station was loaded with 20 trucks, 5 large, 5 small pontoons and 1 motorboat. \*

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[redacted] Comment. The statements tend to indicate that the fall maneuvers of the Third Shock Army which started in the area of Letzling Heath, Rathenow, Havelberg, about 23 September, concentrated in the southeastern part of Letzling

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25X1 Heath on the west bank of the Elbe River at the end of September. This conclusion, to some extent, was confirmed [redacted] that elements of the Third Shock Army and the 6th Arty Div were unloaded in Wahlwinkel on 27 and 29 September. He also reported the construction of a bridge south of Bittkau on 28 September 1952. [redacted] 25X1 It is possible that the 1952 fall maneuvers of the Third Shock Army was broken down into several individual field exercises. The present information 25X1 on Wahlwinkel confirms the statements in the reference report. [redacted] 25X1 [redacted]

[redacted] Comment. The units loaded in Wolmirstedt were presumably elements of the 10th Gds Tank Div. Another source reported the unloading in Doeberitz of a shipment of the division from Wolmirstedt on the same day.

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